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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Dale BASKIN et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1637  
Application No.: 09/818,086 ) Examiner: J. Tung  
Filed: March 26, 2001 ) Confirmation No. 2844  
For: METHODS OF DETERMINING )  
THE PRESENCE OF )  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2004. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper at pages 2-13.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper at page 14.